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	The amendment document filed on 130 [4] is considered non-compliant because it has failed to meet the requirements of 37 CFR 1.121. In order for the amendment document to be compliant, correction of the following item(s) is required. Only the "Amendments to the claims" section of applicant's amendment document must be resubmitted (in its entirety), e.g., the entire THE FOLLOWING CHECKED (X) ITEM(S) CAUSE THE AMENDMENT DOCUMENT TO BE NON-COMPLIANT.					
	A. Amended paragraph(s) do not include markings. B. New paragraph(s) should not be underlined. C. Other					
	2. Abstract: A. Not presented on a separate sheet. 37 CFR 1.72. B. Other If the changes to the clostract are minor submit a replacement abstract with Imarkings to show all the changes relative. 3. Amendments to the drawings: 4. Amendments to the claims.					
	4. Amendments to the claims: A. A complete listing of all of the claims is not present. B. The listing of claims does not include the text of all pending claims (including withdrawn claims) C. Each claim has not been provided with the proper status identifier, and as such, the individual status of each claim cannot be identified. Note: the status of every claim must be indicated after its claim number by using presented), (New) and (Not entered). D. The claims of this amendment paper have not been presented in ascending numerical order.					
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